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**MINUTES**

January 21, 2015  
Board Room, at 8:30 a.m.  
9535 E. Doubletree Ranch Rd.  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

**Members Present Telephonically:** Dr. Brian Serbin, Mr. James Loughhead, Ms. Julie Young, Dr. Les Hatfield, Dr. James Christensen, Ms. Julie Mumford, C.V.T., and Ms. Deb Gullett.

**Members Absent:** Dr. Darren Wright and Dr. Christina Bertch-Mumaw

**Staff and Legal Counsel Present:** Ms. Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director (E.D.); Ms. Sophia Van Langen, Assistant Attorney General (A.A.G.); Ms. Gina Pickering, Compliance Specialist and Ms. Tracy Riendeau, C.V.T., Investigations.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Brian Serbin, Chair at 8:30 a.m.

**Roll call:** Ms. Julie Mumford, C.V.T.

**II. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF PREVIOUS ACTIONS**

**1. 14-52: In Re: Margaret Sorensen, D.V.M. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education plan as required by Board Order.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Young to approve Dr. Sorenson's continuing education plan submitted in compliance with her Board Order. Motion passed unanimously.

**2. 14-48: In Re: Christina Barber, D.V.M. Board may review, discuss, and take action on submission of completion of Continuing Education as required by Board Order.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Christensen and seconded by Dr. Hatfield to approve Dr. Barber's continuing education in compliance with her Board Order and return her license to Active status. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. 12-80: In Re: John Smith, D.V.M. Board may review, discuss, and take action on submission of completion of Continuing Education as required by Board Order.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Dr. Hatfield to approve Dr. Smith's continuing education in compliance with his Board Order and return his license to Active status. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. 14-76: In Re: Mario Tascon, D.V.M. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education plan as required by Board Order.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Hatfield and seconded by Dr. Serbin to direct staff to request Dr. Tascon to submit the courses he plans on attending at the conference to verify they will comply with his Order. The Board also gave Ms. Whitmore the authority, in conjunction with Dr. Serbin, to review, discuss, and take action on Dr. Tascon's continuing education plan once submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**5. 14-93: In Re: Kelly Anderson, D.V.M. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education plan as required by Board Order.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullet to approve Dr. Anderson's continuing education plan submitted in compliance with her Board Order. Motion passed unanimously.

### **III. REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, REFERRALS AND OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. Board may review, discuss and take action on additional information received for Mark Allen equine dental practitioner.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made to withdraw the request to subpoena Mr. Allen to appear before the Board based on new information obtained and to approve Mr. Allen's Equine Dental registration as he is currently in compliance with the requirements set forth in A.R.S. § 32-2231 (B)(3)(c). Motion passed unanimously.

**2. Board may review, discuss and take on additional information submitted by Veterinary Specialty Center of Tucson regarding request for Continuing Education credit for three seminars to be held in 2015.**

Based on additional information, after discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Hatfield and seconded by Dr. Serbin to approve continuing education credits for the Veterinary Specialty Center of Tucson. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Veterinary Faculty Member license application.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Hatfield and seconded by Dr. Serbin to approve the new veterinary faculty license application. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. Board may review, discuss, and take action on denial of certification for Certified Veterinary Technician applicants who failed the VTNE and/or State exam. List available upon request.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Hatfield and seconded by Dr. Serbin to **deny** certification to C.V.T. applicants who failed the VTNE and/or State exam. Motion passed unanimously.

**5. Board may review, discuss, and take action on technician certification pending submission of issuance fee.**

- a. Shannon Drane
- b. Jillian Dworaczyk
- c. Hilary MacFarlane
- d. Tracy Marinas
- e. Jamie Marino
- f. Kathie Scott
- g. Adriana Walker
- h. Roxann Zeidas

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Mumford and seconded by Dr. Serbin to approve technician certification for the above applicants pending submission of issuance fee. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. Board may review, discuss, and take action on the Board's review of license and certificate renewal applications from licensees/certificate holders who report dismissed complaint cases from other states on their renewal forms.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to direct staff to proceed with processing applications and renewals with verified case dismissals without Board review. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary renewal applications received from:**

**a. Katherine Bratcher, D.V.M.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Young to **approve** Dr. Bratcher's renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

**b. Henry Kostecki, D.V.M.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to **approve** Dr. Kostecki's renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

**c. Lystra Lloyd, D.V.M.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to **approve** Dr. Lloyd's renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

**d. Jim Rusher, D.V.M.**

Dr. Hatfield was recused. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to open a complaint and offer Dr. Rusher a Consent Agreement for violating **A.R.S. § 32-2218(A)** as it relates to **R3-11-401(A)** for failure to complete any continuing education required to renew his veterinary license. The Consent Agreement is to include a period of Probation for six (6) months to allow Dr. Rusher to complete the 20 hours of continuing education required for the renewal of his 2015-2016 veterinary license. Motion passed 6 ayes, 1 recusal.

**e. Chris Simpson, D.V.M.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to open a complaint and offer Dr. Simpson a Consent Agreement for violating **A.R.S. § 32-2218(A)** as it relates to **R3-11-401(A)** for failure to complete 13 of the 20 hours of continuing education required to renew his veterinary license. The Consent Agreement is to include a period of Probation for six (6) months to allow Dr. Simpson to complete the remaining 13 hours of continuing education required for the renewal of his

2015-2016 veterinary license. Motion passed unanimously.

**f. Jenica Gorman, D.V.M.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Young to open a complaint and offer Dr. Gorman a Consent Agreement for violating **A.R.S. § 32-2218(A)** as it relates to **R3-11-401(A)** for failure to complete 7 of the 20 hours of continuing education required to renew her veterinary license. The Consent Agreement is to include a period of Probation for six (6) months to allow Dr. Gorman to complete the remaining 7 hours of continuing education required for the renewal of her 2015-2016 veterinary license. Motion passed unanimously.

**g. Kristie Lee Stanton, D.V.M.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Dr. Hatfield to approve Dr. Stanton's renewal application. Motion passed unanimously.

**8. Board may review, discuss, and take action on approval of veterinary licenses pending submission of issuance fee or proof of graduation from:**

- a. Krystle O'Cull (R)**
- b. Sarah Schlosser (R)**
- c. Maring Vidal (R)**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to approve veterinary licenses pending submission of issuance fee or proof of graduation. Motion passed unanimously.

**9. Board may review, discuss, and take action on additional information submitted by Cal Cordell, D.V.M. regarding request for continuing education waiver for license renewal.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to **deny** Dr. Cordell's continuing education waiver and open a complaint offering Dr. Cordell a Consent Agreement for violating **A.R.S. § 32-2218(A)** as it relates to **R3-11-401(A)** for failure to complete any continuing education required to renew his veterinary license. The Consent Agreement is to include a period of Probation for six (6) months to allow Dr. Cordell to complete the 20 hours of continuing education required for the renewal of his 2015-2016 veterinary license. Motion passed unanimously.

**10. Board may review, discuss, and take action on proposed legislation that relates to the Board.**

Megan Dell'artino, lobbyist, was present telephonically. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to direct Ms. Dell'artino to lead staff in efforts to oppose House Bill 2215. Motion passed unanimously.

**11. Board may review, discuss, and take action on certified veterinary technician renewal applications received from:**

**a. Jessica Berger, C.V.T.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to open a complaint and offer Ms. Berger a Consent Agreement for violating **A.R.S. § 32-2246** as it relates to **R3-11-401 (D)** for failure to complete 10 hours of continuing education in the two-year period preceding certification expiration as required to renew her certificate. The Consent Agreement is to include a **civil penalty** of \$25.00. Motion passed unanimously.

**b. Brandy Caldwell-Bakken, C.V.T.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to open a complaint and offer Ms. Berger a Consent Agreement for violating **A.R.S. § 32-2246** as it relates to **R3-11-401 (D)** for failure to complete 10 hours of continuing education in the two-year period preceding certification expiration as required to renew her certificate. The Consent Agreement is to include a **civil penalty** of \$25.00. Motion passed unanimously.

**12. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary and C.V.T. renewal applications received on or after January 21, 2015 that include incomplete continuing education (CE) credits or CE completed in 2015.**

After discussion, it was determined that a future special phone meeting may be needed further discuss this matter.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Approval to Take State Veterinary Exam**

1. Mundschenk, Kari (E)
2. Mundschenk, Peter (E)
3. Sharma, Ashu (E)

**Approval to take the State Veterinary Exam granted.**

**B. Approval of Premise Licenses**

1. R2360: Equine Veterinary Services. New Address. John Gregory Byrne, DVM.
2. R2368: Animal Health Institute. New Premise. Thomas Graves, DVM.
3. R2371: Arizona Spay & Neuter Clinic. New Responsible Veterinarian, DVM.
4. R2402: Animal Clinic Del Rancho. New Owner, New Responsible Veterinarian. Bridget Stewart, DVM.
5. R2403: Animal Health Options. New Premise. Kimberly Henneman, DVM.

**B (2) and Removed from Consent Agenda.**

**Approval of Premise Licenses granted.**

**C. Approval of Premise Name Change Requests**

1. R00503: Rip Colorado Equine Veterinary Service, LLC to Rio Colorado Veterinary Service. Ernesto Sandio, DVM.
2. R2344: Brett the Vet to Arizona Animal Hospital, LLC. Brett Cordes, DVM.
3. R2356: Arizona Pet Acupuncture and Rehabilitation to Arizona Pet Acupuncture and Physical Rehabilitation. Jessica Venable, DVM.

**Approval of Premise Name Change Requests granted.**

**D. Approval to take Certified Veterinary Technician Exams**

1. Sandoval, Rosa

**Approval to take Certified Veterinary Technician Exams granted.**

**E. Approval of Request for Reinstatement of License**

1. Chang, Fenway
2. Thurman, Cyndee
3. Sorum, David

**Approval of Request for Reinstatement of License granted.**

**F. Approval of Veterinary License**

1. Marvel, Sarah (E)
2. Venable, Rachel (E)

**Approval of Veterinary Licenses granted.**

**G. Approval of Request for Reinstatement of Veterinary Technician Certification**

1. Skiba, Audra
2. Sorrels, Katrina

**Approval for Request for Reinstatement of Veterinary Technician Certification granted.**

**H. Approval to take State Veterinary Exam**

1. Herrold, Lori (E)
2. Hoge, Michael (E)
3. Hutchison, Dianne (E)
4. Martinelli, Alisa (E)

**Approval to take State Veterinary Exam granted.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Dr. Christensen to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

**Items Removed From Consent Agenda**

**B (2) R2368: Animal Health Institute. New Premise. Thomas Graves, DVM.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Serbin and seconded by Ms. Gullett to approve the premise license pending inspection and compliance. Motion passed unanimously.

**V. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

No current events discussed.

**VI. CALL TO PUBLIC**

No member of the public wished to speak.

**VII. ESTABLISHMENT OF FUTURE MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting will be held on February 18, 2015, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at 9535 E. Doubletree Ranch Road, Scottsdale, Arizona, 85258, in the Board Room.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Victoria Whitmore".

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Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director